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BILL NO. Z-96-07-14

ZONING MAP ORDINANCE NO. Z-06-96

AN ORDINANCE amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. E-15.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. That the area described as follows is hereby designated an M-2 (General Industrial)

District under the terms of Chapter 157 Title XV of the Code of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana of 1974:

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and the symbols of the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. E-15, as established by Section 157.016 of Title XV of the Code of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana are hereby changed accordingly.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor. / homes tachure
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Petition for a Zoning Map Amendment

Community & Economic Development / 1 Main Street Rm #830 / Fort Wayne IN 46802 / (219) 427-1129

I/We

| do hereby petition to amend | the Zoning Map of | the City of Fort Way | ne Indiana, by reclassifying | from designation |
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| a/an: R-1 (One-Family | | | | |
| to a/an: M-2 (General | | | | |
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| and further described as foll | ows: | | | |
| For legal description of R | -1 District see a | ttached Exhibit N | В. | |
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| | | gal description if more spa- | | |
| The purpose of this rezoning | is to permit the us | se of the property | for the following: | |
| Municipal solid waste | landfill fac | ility | | |
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| Property Owner(s) Name(s): Street Address: | 5000 Smith Roa | ad | | |
| City: | | | State: <u>Indiana</u> | |
| Zip Code: | 46804 | | Phone: (219) 432-558 | 32 |
| I/We the undersigned, do here property described in this petit as well as all procedures and disposition of this petition; and UNITED REFUSE COMPANY | policies of the Ford that the above inf | to abide by all pro | visions of the Fort Wayne Zo | oning Ordinance |
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Notes to the Applicant:

- If additional space is needed for either a legal description, or property owners names addresses and signatures, please attach same to this form.
- All requests and deferrals, continuances, withdrawals, or request that the ordinance be taken under advisement shall be filed in writing and be submitted to the City Plan Commission prior to the legal notice being submitted to the newspaper for publication.
- Filing of this petition grants the City of Fort Wayne permission to post "Official Notice" on the petitioned property. Failure to post, or to maintain posting may prevent the public hearing from being held.
- All checks should be made payable to: CITY OF FORT WAYNE.

Name and Address of preparer, attorney or agent.

| Mark E. GiaQuinta, Esq. | • |
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| Robert W. Eherenman, Esq. | (219) 426-0444 |
| HALLER & COLVIN, P.C. | Telephone Number |
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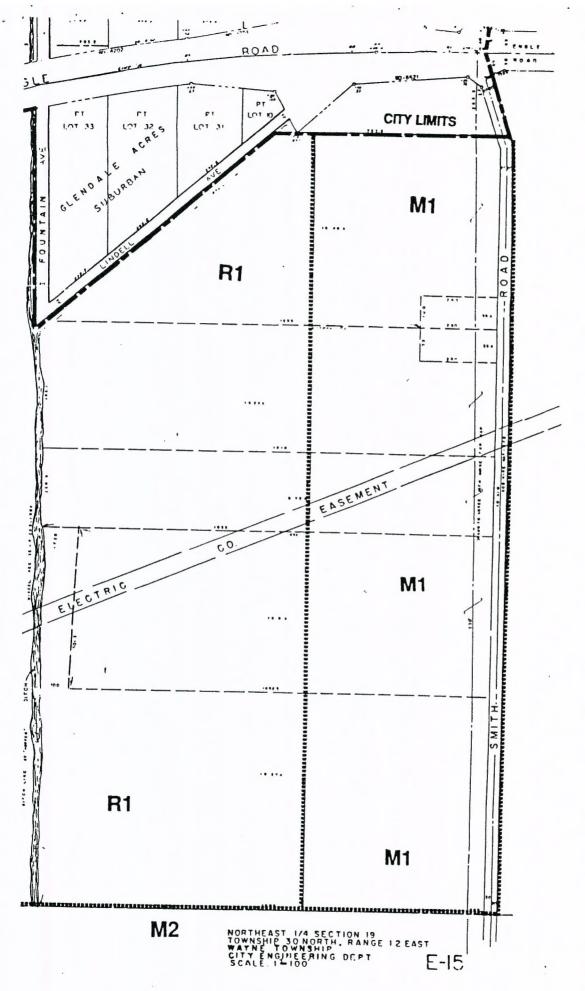


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Certification date: June 12, 1996

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RESOLUTION OF ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on July 23, 1996 referred a proposed zoning map amendment to the City Plan Commission which proposed ordinance was designated Bill No. Z-96-07-14; and,

WHEREAS, the required notice of public hearing on such proposed ordinance has been published as required by law; and,

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on such proposed ordinance on July 15, 1996.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Plan Commission does hereby recommend that this ordinance be returned to the Common Council with a **DO PASS** recommendation based on the Commission's following "Findings of Fact".

- 1) Approval of the request will be in substantial compliance with the City of Fort Wayne Comprehensive Plan, and should not establish an undesirable precedent in the area.
- 2) Approval of the request will not have an adverse impact on the current conditions in the area, or the character of current structures and uses in the area.

In fact, approval will extend the requested zoning along logical boundary lines, using existing roadways, railways and ditches as boundary limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary is hereby directed to present a copy of this resolution to the Common Council at its next regular meeting.

This is to certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Fort Wayne City Plan Commission held July 22, 1996.

Certified and signed this 26th day of July 1996.

Carol Kettler Sharp

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Secretary

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS

REBECCA J. RAVINE - THOMAS E. HAYHURST - CO-CHAIR ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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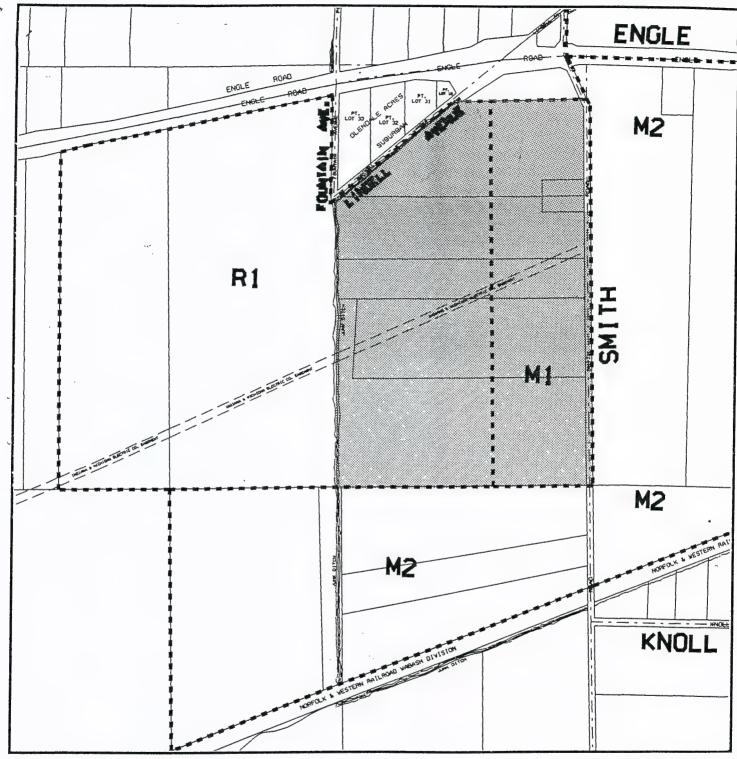
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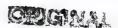


COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT NO. 4

Map No. E -15

| R1 One-Family R2 Two-Family R3 Multi-Family RA/RB Residential PUD Planned Unit Dev. | B1 Limited Business B2 Planned Shopping Center B3 General Business B4 Roadside Business POD Professional Office District | M1 Light IndustrialM2 General IndustrialM3 Heavy IndustrialMHP Mobile Home Park |
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| Zoning Map Amendment |
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Z-96-07-14

BILL NUMBER

Division of Community Development & Planning

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| DETAILS | POSITIONS | RECOMMENDATIONS . |
| Specific Location and/or Address | Sponsor | City Plan Commission |
| 5000 Smith Road | Area Affected | City Wide |
| Reason for Project Municipal solid waste landfill facility. | | Other Areas |
| | Applicants/ Proponents | Applicant(s) United Refuse Corporation City Department Other |
| Discussion (Including relationship to other Council actions) 15 July 1996 - Public Hearing (See Attached Minutes of Meeting) | Opponents | Groups or Individuals Basis of Opposition |
| 22 July 1996 - Business Meeting Motion was made and seconded to return the ordinance to the Common Council with a DO PASS recommendation. Of the eight (8) members present, seven (7) voted in favor of the motion, the Chair did not vote. Motion carried. | Staff Recommendation | ∑ For Against Reason Against |
| Members Present: Linda Buskirk, Jim Dearing, Ernest Evans, DeDe Hall, James Hoch, Richard Pierce, Thomas Quirk, Dave Ross Member Absent: Carol Kettler Sharp | Board or Commission Recommendation | By Against No Action Taken For with revisions to conditions (See Details column for conditions) |
| | CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS (For Council use only) | Pass Other Pass Hold amended) Council Sub. Do not pass |

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| Projected Completion or Occupancy | Date | 26 | July | 1996 |
| Fact Sheet Prepared by Patricia Biancaniello | Date | 26 | July | 1996 |
| Reviewed by | Date | 29 | July | 1996 |

Number

a. Change of Zone #618 From R-1 & M-1 to M-2 5000 Smith Road

Mark GiaQuinta, attorney for the petitioners, United Refuse, appeared before the Commission. Mr. GiaQuinta stated that they were asking for the rezoning of land that is located on Smith Road, that is presently occupied by United Refuse. He stated that this property has been recently annexed. He stated that as a part of the annexation process they appeared before City Council, and made a commitment to the members of City Council, to meet and work with the members of the Plan Commission staff, to clear up any zoning issues that staff felt were either ambiguous, or could be better presented with various changes. He stated that they currently have a "tapestry" of various zoning classifications. He stated the existing use is that of a sanitary landfill, as provided for by the Fort Wayne Board of Zoning Appeals and the Allen County Board of Zoning Appeals. He stated that they already have the use (sanitary landfill) in existence, with a Special Exception granted by the appropriate zoning agencies, but the underlying zoning classification are something of a hodgepodge. He stated that they were at the meeting to ask that the entire tract owned by United Refuse be rezoned to M-2. He stated that the application seeks a zoning change that is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan. He requested that the staff report be made a part of the record. He stated that the staff report states that this request is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. He stated that the Comprehensive Plan speaks to sanitary landfills being an appropriate use in the "Outer Ring", and this property lies in the Outer Ring. He stated that a recent change to the Zoning Ordinance addresses sanitary landfills. He stated that with the current update, sanitary landfills are legal in M-2 & M-3 Districts. He stated that he felt the zoning map amendment would result in a zoning pattern that follows a very logical boundary limitation. He stated that it uses existing roadways, and drainage ditches. He stated that not only is this request consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, it is also consistent with the current conditions and the character of current structures and uses, in the district. He stated that the property on the east side of Smith Road is already zoned M-2. He stated that this request does not deviate from existing conditions. He stated that the area to the south of the zoning change is M-2, and the area to the north is in the county, but is bounded by Engle Road. He stated that the area to the west presents them with a very interesting opportunity. He stated that he had a representative from the Allen County Parks Department to discuss the consistency between their proposed rezoning and the proposed use of the land to the West, which is currently zoned R-1. He stated that this land is proposed to be used as a wetlands nature preserve, which will be funded in part from revenue emanating from the landfill.

Amy Debrosse, Superintendent with the Allen County Parks & Recreation Department, appeared before the Commission. Ms. Debrosse stated that she was there to speak about the land that is adjacent to and west of the landfill. She stated that there are 126 acres of land in this parcel. She stated that they entered into negotiations with United Refuse and its parent corporation a little over three years ago, regarding a mitigation issue for this property. She stated that the State DNR along with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the Allen County Parks & Recreation Department and IDEM, worked very close together on current issues regarding the landfill, as well as resolving some mitigation issues over a period of years. She stated that the agreement that was reached is that United Refuse Corporation has purchased 126 acres of land. They are waiting on a final permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for reconstruction of wetlands, within that 126 acres. She stated that there would be 40 acres that will be reconstructed wetlands

areas, there are currently over 60 acres of forested wetlands that will be preserved and an additional buffer area further to the south. She stated that this property will become a park, open for all residents of Allen County, as well as those who will be visiting the community. It is very visible from the Engle Road as well as visibility from the Smith Road. She stated that there will be access to the site from the Smith Road on United Refuse property. There will be a parking lot as a part of the united project. She stated that the park will be accessed across the Junk Ditch, those approvals have already been granted. She stated that they have also worked out an agreement with United Refuse, that they not only will be donating this land to Allen County, but will also be providing an endowment fund for the next 10 years for its care, maintenance and long term operation. She stated that they will be investing those funds and using them solely for that cite. Maintenance of that facility will also be cared for by United Refuse, under the direct supervision of Ms. Debrosse and her staff. She stated that they are also asking U.S. Fish & Wildlife, the Indiana Fish & Wildlife and any other interested parties, to help them with the development and management of this area, to make it one of the topnotch wetlands reconstruction facilities in the country. She stated that it is a consistent use. She stated that she has always been very "jumpy" when it comes to entering into any agreements with landfills. She stated that they have extensively researched this issue. They went into the corporation's (United Refuse) background, its history, track record and talked directly with IDEM and DNR officials, and not only she, but her Board of Directors was very comfortable with this corporation. She stated that in a little over the three years history that they have had with them, they have lived up to their word and every agreement that they have made, and gone above and beyond the things that they have asked them to do.

Pat Fahey questioned if the parking area would run all the was from Engle Road down to the railroad right-of-way.

Ms. Debrosse stated that was correct.

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that they brought up the project by the Allen County Parks Department, not to obtain approval of this project. He stated that they brought it up to indicate to the Commission that the outlying area to the west is the area in question and is consistent with the rezoning they are seeking. He stated it will in fact allow this corporation (United Refuse) to serve as the engine that drives that initiative. He stated that there is another initiative that they have under way that they believe ties into this rezoning and other requests that they are making in the land use area. He stated that it is in its very formative stages, but there is some very good news that is coming out of those efforts. Many of you who are involved in the city on a day-to-day basis, are well aware of a situation that exists on Creighton Avenue next door to the police station. He stated that there are several hundred thousand tires sitting in a building and that it constitutes one of the most serious, potential fire hazards, to the community. He stated that the only way to resolve that kind of hazard is to take the tires and cut them into little squares, so they no longer constitute a fire hazard. He stated that this corporation (United Refuse) is in the process of putting together the details of resolving that hazard once and for all. He stated that he has spoken to the Mayor and he is advised of the progress they are making with IDEM. He stated that they do have some other "t's" to cross and "i's" to dot that would allow them to take the project on. He stated that they are doing this in conjunction with the IDEM and with local officials. He stated that there are some indirect benefits at stake, that they are very proud of and happy to talk about. He stated that he was pointing out these facts to let the Commission know that they are dealing with a corporation that is a good corporate citizen and intends to remain a good corporate citizen and has the track record to prove it.

DeDe Hall questioned if they owned all of the land that was being rezoned.

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that they did own all of the land in the requested rezoning.

Jim Dearing questioned if the purpose for the rezoning was out of convenience to simply "straighten the books".

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that the purpose of the rezoning is to allow United Refuse to move forward with other requests, that they have advised both the City Council and Planning staff they would like to make. He stated that this request will bring the underlying zoning of the existing landfill, and some additional property that falls outside the existing landfill, that is zoned residential, into a zoning designation that allows them to go to the appropriate zoning authority and put on a case for an ancillary use or something like that, in accordance with the new Zoning Ordinance provisions.

Mr. Dearing asked if the mound that is currently there would be going any further to the north.

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that most of the mound will remain in the current footprint that has been approved by the local zoning authorities. He stated though IDEM has permitted an area that extends about 100 feet past that mound to allow for the kind of engineering they (IDEM) wants to see in this particular landfill. He stated that in order for them to conform locally with what IDEM has permitted state wide, they intend to take that 100 foot strip and include that property. He stated that they will need further approval for that strip, but that will come from another authority, but they do need the M-2 zoning in order to apply for that permission on that strip of land.

DeDe Hall asked if tire storage or shredding would be a legal use in the M-2 zoning.

Pat Fahey stated that storage of any type of materials would be allowed in an industrial district.

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that they currently have an area of M-2 zoning. He stated that if storage was the goal that could already be done. He stated that they do not intend to do any storage, they are there to operate a landfill.

The Operations Officer of the Parent Corporation of United Refuse appeared before the Commission. He stated that they have no intention of doing any tire storage or shredding on this property. He stated that if they move forward with the removal of the tires that is next to the police station, the shredding will be done there. He stated that the shred will be brought to the site and buried.

Jim Hoch questioned if the current landfill was sitting on an M-2, M-1 and R-1 classification.

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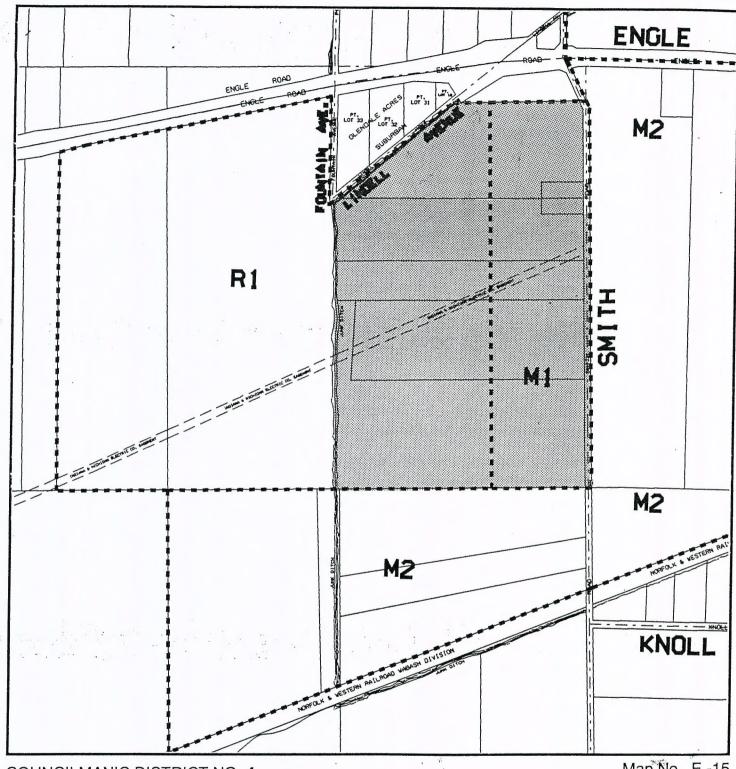
Mr. GiaQuinta stated that was correct.

Pat Fahey stated that the reason for that, was that at one time, a sanitary landfill could be considered by the Board of Zoning Appeals in certain residential districts. He stated that the zoning was not an issue when this was first reviewed as a refuse site in 1969. He stated that the use was approved in 1969, but the underlying zoning was not changed. He stated that when the ordinance was updated they felt that this type of use was not appropriate, for the Board to consider, as a Special Use in a residential district. He stated that they also felt that it was most

similar to a general industrial use, and that is why that requirement was changed.

Mr. GiaQuinta stated that the original special exception granted in 1969 created an 89½ acre sanitary landfill. He stated that when they add the 100 foot strip, they are including in this rezoning, it will amount to a landfill that is about 4 to 5 acres short of the original approval. He stated that while it is a 100 foot shift in the footprint of the landfill, the overall acreage is actually less than what was permitted.

There was no one else present who spoke in favor of or in opposition to the proposed rezoning request.



COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT NO. 4

Map No. E -15

| R1 R2 R3 RA/RB PUD | One-Family Two-Family Multi-Family Residential Planned Unit Dev. | B1 B2 B3 B4 POD | Limited Business Planned Shopping Center General Business Roadside Business Professional Office District | M1 M2 M3 MHP | Light Industrial General Industrial Heavy Industrial Mobile Home Park | |
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RESOLUTION OF ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on July 23, 1996 referred a proposed zoning map amendment to the City Plan Commission which proposed ordinance was designated Bill No. Z-96-07-14; and,

WHEREAS, the required notice of public hearing on such proposed ordinance has been published as required by law; and,

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on such proposed ordinance on July 15, 1996.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Plan Commission does hereby recommend that this ordinance be returned to the Common Council with a **DO PASS** recommendation based on the Commission's following "Findings of Fact".

- 1) Approval of the request will be in substantial compliance with the City of Fort Wayne Comprehensive Plan, and should not establish an undesirable precedent in the area.
- 2) Approval of the request will not have an adverse impact on the current conditions in the area, or the character of current structures and uses in the area.

In fact, approval will extend the requested zoning along logical boundary lines, using existing roadways, railways and ditches as boundary limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary is hereby directed to present a copy of this resolution to the Common Council at its next regular meeting.

This is to certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Fort Wayne City Plan Commission held July 22, 1996.

Certified and signed this 26th day of July 1996.

Carol Kettler Sharp

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Secretary

Mark E. GiaQuinta, attorney for United Refuse Company, Inc. requests a change of zone from R-1 and M-1 to M-2

Location:

5000 Smith Road

Legal:

See file

Land Area:

Approximately 80.4 acres

Zoning:

R-1 and M-1

Surroundings:

North County Open South M-2 Railroad

East M-2 Open (undeveloped woods)

West R-1 Open

Reason for Request:

Municipal solid waste landfill facility

Neighborhood Assoc.:

None

Neighborhood Plan:

No comment.

Comprehensive Plan:

The general land use policies of the comprehensive plan state that development proposals should be compatible with existing and planned land uses and should not establish and undesirable precedent in the area to be developed.

This property is located in the West Sector of the Outer Ring. The overall goal in the Outer Ring is to encourage growth in a balanced manner that is within or adjacent to existing

development in the urban service area. More specifically, the goal of the west sector is to contain growth within the urban

service line.

Planning Staff Discussion:

The area was recently annexed into the City of Fort Wayne. United Refuse has owned and occupied the site since approximately 1969. The existing landfill was originally approved in 1969 as a Special Use for a refuse dump by the Fort Wayne Board of Zoning Appeals while the site was under the city's extra-territorial jurisdiction. The site reverted to Allen County's jurisdiction in 1974, where it remained until annexation this year. There were several County BZA reviews and approvals of different aspects of the landfill operations between 1969 and the 1996 annexation by the City.

Earlier this year, the city revised portions of the Zoning Ordinance. Included in the updated sections was language clarifying municipal solid waste landfill facilities as a Special Use in M2 and M3 districts. In addition to minimum requirements set forth in the ordinance, compliance with State law and the Indiana Administrative Code.

Portions of the existing United Refuse site are zoned M2, M1 and R1. We understand that landfill operations on approximately 62 acres will be completed in 1997, according to an Agreed Order between IDEM and United Refuse. That acreage is located on the south side of the site. Currently the 20 plus acres located north side of the AEP easement are not part of the active fill operation.

In order to seek a possible expansion of their site, they would need to seek Board of Zoning Appeals approval and state approval. The Zoning Ordinance would allow the Board to hear a Special Use request for an expansion of an existing landfill facility in an M2 or M3 district.

The property on the east side of Smith Road, and a portion of the United Refuse site north of the railroad is currently zoned M2. The Junk Ditch is located along the west edge of their property, and serves as a natural delineation.

The requested zoning appears to be appropriate for the area. Approval would result in the zoning pattern following a more or less logical boundary limitation, using existing roadways, railways and ditches. Approval would be consistent with existing zoning in the area, and would not establish a negative precedent. Approval would potentially allow for limited growth within existing boundaries.

Recommendation: Do Pass for the following reasons:

- 1) Approval of the request will be in substantial compliance with the City of Fort Wayne Comprehensive Plan, and should not establish an undesirable precedent in the area.
- 2) Approval of the request will not have an adverse impact on the current conditions in the area, or the character of current structures and uses in the area.

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